GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:326
ANSWERED ON:19.11.2007
FAKE WEAVERS
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of men and women weavers in the country; State-wise;

(b) the number of weavers out of them who have been issued identity cards;

(c) whether importers are drawing the benefits of Government Schemes for weavers through the identity cards issued to other genuine weavers;

(d) if so, whether any enquiry has been conducted in this matter;

(e) if so, the outcome thereof; and

(f) the corrective measures adopted by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a): A Statement showing the State-wise number of men and women weavers in the country engaged in the weaving and allied activities in Handloom sector is at Annexure.

(b): It has been decided to issue Identity cards to weavers enumerated during the Third Census of Handlooms, which is to be conducted shortly.

(c) to (f): Do not arise.

ANNEXURE

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 326 FOR ANSWER ON 19.11.2007 REGARDING FAKE WEAVERS.

S.No	Name of the State	Total No. of persons engaged in Weaving (Weavers) & Allied Allied activities	No. of Women engaged in weaving & Allied activities	No. of Men engaged in weaving & Allied activities
1	Andhra Pradesh	490616	163841	326775
2	Arunachal Pradesh	53473	39927	13546
3	Assam	2322268	1489315	832953
4	Bihar	110732	30338	80394
5	Chattisgarh	28362	8514	19848

6 Delhi 6708 447 6261

7 Goa 25 10 15

8 Gujarat 57936 18805 39131

9 Haryana 22810 3920 18890

10 Himachal Pradesh 65099 20024 45075

11 Jammu & Kashmir 51847 11046 40801

12 Jharkhand 56975 16588 40387

13 Karnataka 177562 62156 115406

14 Kerala 63153 23176 39977

15 Madhya Pradesh 27744 7553 20191

16 Maharashtra 80901 26940 53961

17 Manipur 462087 436110 25977

18 Meghalaya # # #

19 Mizoram # # #

20 Nagaland 126228 97524 28704

21 Orissa 246782 79947 166835

22 Pondicherry 7369 2514 4855

23 Punjab 13160 4118 9042

24 Rajasthan 71915 19380 52535

25 Sikkim @ 1228 @ @

26 Tamil Nadu 607675 221450 386225

27 Tripura 291761 146188 145573

28 Uttar Pradesh 401362 766433 24719

29 Uttaranchal 19322 7074 12248

30 West Bengal 686254 213255 472999

Total All India	6551354	3226803	3324551

Note: # Data not received from Meghalaya & Mizoram.
@ No separate figures available from Sikkim